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Citizens Accountability for Regional Transportation (CART) Committee

Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2020- DRAFT

Committee Members Present

Amber Smith, Chair
Steve Huffman
Charles Mendonca
Chris Albright
Herman Lopez, Vice Chair
Joseph Oliva
Sami Hamed
Fred Narcaroti (on the phone)
Dave Doscher
Armando Rios, Jr.
Charlene Robinson
Bill Sheldon
Pamela Traficanti

Members Absent

Kendall Elmer
Gerald Fayuant
Kelle Maslyn
Lora Nastase
M. Joe Yee

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Smith at 12:06 p.m.

2. Approval of Oct. 24, 2019, CART Committee Meeting Minutes

Action: A motion was made by Mr. Oliva to approve the Minutes of Oct. 24, 2019, seconded by Mr. Doscher and approved unanimously.

3. Call to the Audience

None.

4. RTA CART Bylaws Revision

Mr. DeGroot PAG, provided a brief summary of the recommendation to address the committee members whose terms have expired and noted the need to meet the current quorum requirements.

**Action: A motion was made by Mr. Rios to amend the RTA CART bylaws to include:
“Members whose terms have expired shall remain on the CART with full voting privileges**

until they are either reappointed or replaced by the RTA Board.” The motion was seconded by Mr. Lopez and approved unanimously.

5. Committee Reports

- a. Executive Committee
 - i. Declaration of Vacancies.
- b. Annual Report Subcommittee
 - i. The Annual Report Subcommittee met Dec. 13 to discuss the content of the FY 2019 Annual Report.
- c. Uniform Mitigation Committee
 - i. No activity to report.
- d. Corridor Planning Process Committee
 - i. No activity to report.
- e. Nominating Subcommittee
 - i. The Nominating Committee met on Feb. 17, 2020. Item 6, Election of Officers includes the Nominating Committee’s recommendation.

6. Election of Officers

Mr. DeGrood reported that the Nominating Committee met on Feb. 17 and selected Pamela Traficanti as Chair of the Nominating committee. They also recommended the 2020 officers for CART: Armando Rios Jr. as CART Chair, Charlene Robinson as Vice Chair and Chris Albright as Secretary.

Action: A motion was made by Mr. Sheldon to approve the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, that the CART Committee approve the following officers for 2020: Armando Rios Jr. as Chair, Charlene Robinson as Vice Chair and Chris Albright as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Mr. Doscher and unanimously approved.

Mr. Moghimi acknowledged and thanked Ms. Smith for her service as Chair to the committee and introduced Mr. Rios. Mr. Rios thanked Ms. Smith for her leadership and noted that he is honored to serve as the CART Chair for 2020.

7. RTA Board Report

Mr. DeGrood provided a brief summary of the most recent board meetings and shared highlights of the actions taken. He reported the RTA Board has met twice since the CART Committee last met on Oct. 24, 2019. At the Dec. 5, 2019, meeting, the RTA Board approved the following agreements: additional project funding for the design and construction for the second phase of Sunset Road, and an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with ADOT for the project to include dual-left turn lanes at the intersection of Magee and Oracle. The board also received an update on the RTA plan development process.

The Board met again on Jan. 30, 2020. At this meeting, the board elected its 2020 officers: Ramón Valadez, Chair, Bob Teso, Vice Chair and Peter Yucupicio , 2nd Vice Char. They received project and financial updates, as well as some project agreement amendments.

This was an information item.

8. RTA Project Update

Mr. DeGroot provided an update on current RTA projects. The update included the status of projects under construction, recently completed projects and projects about to bid. Mr. DeGroot reported to date the RTA has completed the following: 185 intersection improvements, 69 pedestrian crossings, 130 bus pullouts, 161 miles of sidewalks, 319 miles of bike lanes and 15 roadway corridors complete.

The most recent roadway projects completed include: Ina Road TI and Railroad Crossing, Kolb/Valencia Intersection and Houghton Rd., 1-10 to UPRR. Projects under construction include: Broadway Blvd: Euclid to Country Club, Broadway Blvd., Camino Seco to Houghton, Valencia Road, Wade to Ajo, La Cholla, Overton to Tangerine. Upcoming RTA projects include: Downtown Links, Ruthrauff Interchange, Houghton Road, from Valencia to Mary Ann Cleveland Way.

Projects with design activities underway include: Grant Road, phases III & IV, 22nd Street Viaduct (Kino- Tucson Bld.), Grant Road, Phases V & VI, Silverbell Road, from Goret to El Comino del Cerro.

It was requested that the CART Committee take a group tour of the region to visit completed RTA projects.

This was an information item.

9. RTA Financial Update

Mr. DeGroot provided a brief summary of the latest financial information and highlighted key areas of interest. He reported revenue collections are continuing to show an upward trend with December 2019 collections at approximately \$8.9 million. The RTA has seen 38 months of positive consecutive growth year-over-year on a monthly basis. For FY 2019, there was a 10.1 percent growth, which is an increase from FY 2018 and exceeds the current budget estimates by 5.46 percent. Mr. DeGroot also highlighted the internet sales tax and its benefits to future collections.

This was an information item.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:39 p.m.